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"Via E-Mail"

Senator Michael DeWine Senator George Voinovich Congresswoman Deborah Pryce Mr. Richard H. Karney, P.E., Manager

RE: The Department of Energy "Energy Star Window Program"

Gentlemen and Mrs. Pryce:

As President of The United Glass Corporation, and Mid Ohio Tempering, a consolidated fabricator of commercial and residential glass products for the United States window industry, I wish to extend our organization's overwhelming support of the "Four Zone Criteria" currently being proposed by the United States Department of Energy. We currently have fourteen locales with hundreds of employees within the United States, and the adoption of this proposal will have a very positive impact on not only our organization but the industry as a whole as well.

We are strong advocates of this method criteria, as adoption of the Three-zone proposal will have a <u>most negative impact</u> upon our vendors, our employees, our customers, and our ability to compete in many segments of this energy/cost conscious industry. With the current economic climate in America, I urge your guidance in this proposal and initiative. With the spiraling cost of energy, unemployment, and the intense capital and logistical pressures upon our industry to compete, we, as manufacturers, need to rely on a variety of products that enhance our ability to produce competitively in our industry. We feel our organization is an industry leader with regard to the ability to promote many types of energy efficient window products through our insulating glass and fabricating capabilities, and lack of selection of the Four Zone Criteria Program will seriously impede our ability to do so.

We strongly encourage the Department of Energy to make the correct professional choice in this proposal as we feel the impact will be most positive for employment, the environment, the marketplace, our industry, and for our country's economy during this very difficult period.

We pray for the correct decision, and God Bless America.

Respectfully yours,

John R. Deyo President/East